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The Wireless Source, Inc. and Carbonfund.org Partner to Deliver An Environmental Double Play

Recycle Your Old Cellular Device and Help Offset Carbon Emissions As Well

Las Vegas, Nevada at the CTIA – The Wireless Associating Conference, April 2, 2008 – The Wireless Source, Inc. and Charitable Recycling announced today that they are partnering with Carbonfund.org, to provide a means for businesses and consumers to earn carbon credits through cell phone recycling. The partnership is designed to create a simple process to recycle used cell phones, which are converted to a monetary contribution, which is used to help reduce additional carbon emissions.

The Wireless Source, Inc. and Charitable Recycling have taken steps to become carbon neutral in 2008 and to reduce additional carbon emissions through their cell phone offset program. This commitment further establishes The Wireless Source, Inc. and Charitable Recycling as environmental leaders in the cell phone recycling community and demonstrates the proactive steps that can be taken in the fight against global climate change.

Carbon credits are earned and are used to reduce the carbon footprint of an organization or individual. Reducing carbon emissions is a positive step to reduce the potential for global warming. For every phone collected in conjunction with Carbonfund.org, they will make a monetary contribution, which will then be used to help [offset](#) additional carbon emissions.

Taking this next step in environmental stewardship is a natural extension of The Wireless Source's mission to recycle cell phones in an environmentally friendly way. Combining their ability to collect phones on behalf of other organizations and creating additional carbon offsets is a natural fit.

“We’re thrilled to be working with Carbonfund.org on this program,” said Robert Sullivan, CEO of The Wireless Source, Inc. “We’ve been recycling cell phones since 1995 and are proud of our environmental record and initiatives. This is the logical next step in helping to reduce our own [carbon footprint](#) and assisting others to do the same.”

“The Wireless Source Inc. recognizes the potential within the technology industry to take simple and effective steps to reduce environmental impact, and we applaud their recycling efforts. By coupling a carbon offset with each phone recycled, they are going the extra mile,” said Eric Carlson, Executive Director of Carbonfund.org. “We’re truly excited to help The Wireless Source, Inc. go *CarbonFree*.”

About The Wireless Source: The Wireless Source is a global leader in the reuse and recycling of mobile devices. The company supports recycling and asset recovery services to wireless service provider, businesses, retailers, charities and consumers in secure and environmentally sound manner. The Wireless Source is an ISO14001

registered company. Visit www.thewirelessource.com or our charitable contributions group at www.charitablerecycling.com.

About Carbonfund.org

Carbonfund.org is one of the country's leading carbon reduction and offset organization, making it easy and affordable for individuals, businesses and organizations to reduce their climate impact. Carbon offsets enable individuals and businesses to reduce carbon dioxide emissions they are responsible for in their everyday lives by investing in renewable energy, energy efficiency and reforestation projects where they are most cost effective. Carbonfund.org works with over 300 corporate and non-profit partners including Discovery, Volkswagen, Dell, Orbitz, Environmental Defense, and Lancome.

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Mobile Phone Recycling

1. The estimated 500 million retired handsets in the USA weigh the same as a US Navy Aircraft carrier
2. Mobile phones returned to The Wireless Source are prepped for reuse. Reusable units have any personal data removed and are tested and/or remanufactured for redistribution. Those phones that cannot be reused are sent to an end-of-life mobile phone smelter, where the device is broken down into various components for full recycling.
3. Mobile phones contain numerous substances, which need to be disposed of in a safe and efficient manner.
 - a. The cadmium in a single battery from an old phone could seriously contaminate 600,000 liters of water, enough to fill a third of an Olympic size swimming pool. Cadmium is being phased out of new batteries, but many other poisonous materials remain.
 - b. Lead- which affects the immune, endocrine and central nervous system is used to solder components to the printed wiring boards
4. It is estimated that there are over 500 million used and out-of-service mobile phones stockpiled in the US with an estimated 130 million being retired each year.